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[By Mr. DEJARNETTE.]

RESOLUTIONS

Passed at a Meeting of the 14th Virginia Infantry—January 24, 1865.

At a meeting of the 14th Virginia Infantry, Stewart's brigade, Pickett's division, held at their camp, near Bermuda Hundreds, January 24th, 1865, the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas the successes which have recently attended the armies of our enemies, in their mad determination to subjugate an enlightened, christian and independent people, have cast a gloom over our land: And whereas a disposition of many weak-hearted counselors to magnify defeat into hopeless disaster, and to give current publicity to rumors questioning the unabated fervor of the veterans of our armies, in support of the sacred cause for which they have sacrificed every comfort during four years of continuous warfare, and which they still live to defend, has generated a degree of despondency in the breasts of some, of whom we might have expected better things—and deeming an unqualified expression of our opinion as a regiment, and a similar one on the part of our brothers in arms, will be sufficient to dispel this gloom, and to check and extinguish forever the wild rumors which have found too rich a repast in credulous minds, for the public good: Therefore,

1. Resolved, that a southern soldier or citizen, who for any other consideration than that of absolute freedom and eternal separation from that enemy who has spared no species of insult nor injury that malice could devise, would lay down his arms, and now submit, is unworthy to breathe the air of freedom, and should, with his posterity, be the serf of serfs, to the remotest generation.

2. Resolved, that we hereby pledge to the living, and to those who shall come after us, in support of our own liberty, and their ransom from worse than Egyptian bondage, as our fathers have done before us, "our lives, our fortunes, and our sacred honor," assuring them that it is better to die freemen than to live slaves.

3. Resolved, that we have unbounded confidence in our ability, under the guidance of an overruling Providence, to achieve a glorious triumph in the present struggle, directed by that great, good and gallant spirit that has so often led us to victory.

4. Resolved, that the thanks of the army are due, and are hereby tendered to the Congress of the Confederate States, for the energy and vigor displayed in its recent legislation, and its evident determination to sustain our soldiery, through every trial, to the rich reward of peace and happiness.

5. Resolved, that we have watched, with grateful pleasure, the proceedings of the Virginia legislature, and are proud to be represented by so patriotic a body.

6. Resolved, that we earnestly appeal to the citizens and soldiers, to rededicate themselves, their lives and fortunes, upon the altar of their country, and resolve that the graves of our fathers, our homes and our firesides, shall still be ours, to transmit as heir-looms to the free and happy generations yet unborn, who shall mark with emulous pride, our "foot-prints on the sands of time."

7. Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the Virginia legislature, the Congress of the Confederate States, and to the papers of the city of Richmond, for publication.

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